maintained within one of the Corporation's designated systems of records should be submitted in writing to the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Group, Legal Division ("FOIA/PA Group''), Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20429. Each such request should contain a reasonable description of the records sought, the system or systems in which such record may be contained, and any additional identifying information, as specified in the Corporation's FEDERAL REGISTER "Notice of Systems of Records" for that particular system, copies of which are available upon request from the FOIA/PA Group.

 $[40~\mathrm{FR}~46274,\,\mathrm{Oct.}~6,\,1975,\,\mathrm{as}$ amended at 42 FR 6796, Feb. 4, 1977; 61 FR 43419, Aug. 23, 1996; 67 FR 71071, Nov. 29, 2002]

§ 310.4 Times, places, and requirements for identification of individuals making requests.

(a) Individuals may request access to records pertaining to themselves by submitting a written request as provided in §310.3 of these regulations, or by appearing in person on weekdays, other than official holidays, at the FOIA/PA Group, Legal Division, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20429, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

(b) Individuals appearing in person at the Corporation seeking access to or amendment of their records shall present two forms of reasonable identification, such as employment identification cards, driver's licenses, or other identification cards or documents typically used for identification purposes.

(c) Except for records that must be publicly disclosed pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, where the Corporation determines it to be necessary for the individual's protection, a certification of a duly commissioned notary public, of any state or territory, attesting to the requesting individual's identity, or an unsworn declaration subscribed to as true under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, at the election of the individual, may be required before a written re-

quest seeking access to or amendment of a record will be honored. The Corporation may also require that individuals provide minimal identifying data such as full name, date and place of birth, or other personal information necessary to ensure proper identity before processing requests for records.

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§310.5 Disclosure of requested information to individuals.

- (a) Except to the extent that Corporation records pertaining to an individual:
- (1) Are exempt from disclosure under §§ 310.6 and 310.13 of this part, or
- (2) Were compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action or proceeding, the Corporation will make such records available upon request for purposes of inspection and copying by the individual (after proper identity verification as provided in §310.4) and, upon the individual's request and written authorization, by another person of the individual's own choosing.
- (b) The FOIA/PA Group will notify, in writing, the individual making a request, whenever practicable within ten business days following receipt of the request, whether any specified designated system of records maintained by the Corporation contains a record pertaining to the individual. Where such a record does exist, the FOIA/PA Group also will inform the individual of the system manager's decision whether to grant or deny the request for access. In the event existing records are determined not to be disclosable, the notification will inform the individual of the reasons for which disclosure will not be made and will provide a description of the individual's right to appeal the denial, as more fully set forth in §310.9. Where access is to be granted, the notification will specify the procedures for verifying the individual's identity, as set forth in §310.4.
- (c) Individuals will be granted access to records disclosable under this part 310 as soon as is practicable. The FOIA/PA Group will give written notification of a reasonable period within which individuals may inspect disclosable records pertaining to themselves at the

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offices of the FOIA/PA Group during normal business hours. Alternatively, individuals granted access to records under this part may request that copies of such records be forwarded to them. Fees for copying such records will be assessed as provided in §310.11.

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§ 310.6 Special procedures: Medical records.

Medical records shall be disclosed on request to the individuals to whom they pertain, except, if in the judgment of the Corporation, the transmission of the medical information directly to the requesting individual could have an adverse effect upon such individual. In the event medical information is withheld from a requesting individual due to any possible adverse effect such information may have upon the individual, the Corporation shall transmit such information to a medical doctor named by the requesting individual for release of the patient.

 $[40~{\rm FR}~46274,~{\rm Oct.}~6,~1975,~{\rm as~amended~at~61~FR}$ $43420,~{\rm Aug.}~23,~1996]$

§310.7 Request for amendment of record.

The Corporation will maintain all records it uses in making any determination about any individual with such accuracy, relevance, timeliness and completeness as is reasonably necessary to assure fairness to the individual in the determination. An individual may request that the Corporation amend any portion of a record pertaining to that individual which the Corporation maintains in a designated system of records. Such a request should be submitted in writing to the FOIA/PA Group, Legal Division, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20429 and should contain the individual's reason for requesting the amendment and a description of the record (including the name of the appropriate designated system and category thereof) sufficient to enable the Corporation to identify the particular record or portion thereof with respect to which amendment is sought.

 $[40~{\rm FR}~46274,~{\rm Oct.}~6,~1975,~{\rm as}~{\rm amended}~{\rm at}~67~{\rm FR}~71071,~{\rm Nov.}~29,~2002]$

\$310.8 Agency review of request for amendment of record.

- (a) Requests by individuals for the amendment of records will be acknowledged by the Senior Attorney, FOIA/PA Group, and referred to the system manager of the system of records in which the record is contained for determination, within ten business days following receipt of such requests. Promptly thereafter, the Senior Attorney, FOIA/PA Group will notify the individual of the system manager's decision to grant or deny the request to amend.
- (b) If the system manager denies a request to amend a record, the notification of such denial shall contain the reason for the denial and a description of the individual's right to appeal the denial as more fully set forth in §310.9.

 $[40~{\rm FR}~46274,\,{\rm Oct.}~6,\,1975,\,{\rm as}$ amended at $42~{\rm FR}~6796,\,{\rm Feb.}~4,\,1977;\,67~{\rm FR}~71071,\,{\rm Nov.}~29,\,2002]$

§ 310.9 Appeal of adverse initial agency determination on access or amendment.

- (a) A system manager's denial of an individual's request for access to or amendment of a record pertaining to him/her may be appealed in writing to the Corporation's General Counsel (or designee) within 30 business days following receipt of notification of the denial. Such an appeal should be addressed to the FOIA/PA Group, Legal Division, FDIC, 550 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20429, and contain all the information specified for requests for access in §310.3 or for initial requests to amend in §310.7, as well as any other additional information the individual deems relevant for the consideration by the General Counsel (or designee) of the appeal.
- (b) The General Counsel (or designee) will normally make a final determination with respect to an appeal made under this part within 30 business days following receipt by the Office of the Executive Secretary of the appeal. The General Counsel (or designee) may, however, extend this 30-day time period